Mountain Weather Forecast

Lake District National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 13 Apr 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023 at 02:42

Confidence: High for cold weather but low for extent of low cloud on Wednesday. High for showery weather on Thursday and Friday, and somewhat drier weather on Saturday.

Headline for Wednesday 12 Apr 2023: Cold with wintry showers, windy in the morning with summit gales

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 12 Apr 2023

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow	Heavy snow showers	Light snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
30%	40%	70%	70%	70%	40%

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Weather: A cold day with showers in the morning, these falling as sleet and snow even down to modest elevations. The afternoon will see further sleet or snow showers on the summits and these may merge into some longer spells of rain or snow in the afternoon.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% at first falling 20% in the afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Good outside of cloud and showers. Becoming poor in snow and areas of low cloud down to 500 to 800 metres, this becoming widespread and persistent at times through the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	36/44 SW	31/39 S	32/40 SE	19/24 S	12/17 NW	15/21 W	21/29 W
600	28/37 SW	25/34 S	26/36 SE	15/21 S	10/14 NW	13/19 W	15/23 W
300	9/27 SW	12/30 S	12/31 SE	6/16 S	6/13 NW	6/16 W	7/21 W
Valley	11/28 SW	13/27 S	9/24 SE	7/14 SE	6/11 W	6/14 W	9/19 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	-3/-12	-3/-12	-2/-11	-2/-8	-1/-6	-1/-7	-1/-8
600	-1/-8	-0/-8	0/-7	0/-5	1/-3	1/-4	1/-5
300	2/-2	3/-1	1/-4	2/-0	4/2	3/0	2/-0
Valley	4/-0	6/2	3/-0	5/3	6/4	5/3	5/2
Freezing Level*	400m	500m	400m	600m	700m	700m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Be prepared for winter conditions across the Lake District on Wednesday. Cold air at all levels will bring winter hazards. Gales in the morning will lead to severe wind chill and make for slow progress. An increasing risk of low cloud later in the day could lead to navigational difficulties.

Forecast for Thursday 13 Apr 2023

Weather: Remaining cold and unsettled with showers, these falling as hail at times with some sleet or snow on the higher tops. Small chance of an isolated thunderstorm. Strong westerly winds with significant wind chill.

Maximum wind: Average speeds of 25 mph with gusts to 40 mph on the higher tops. Winds easing later in the afternoon

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70%, best chance in the afternoon when many summits should see less in the way of low cloud

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with good air clarity. Becoming poor in snow, and areas of cloud down to 800 metres as showers pass by. Some patchy cloud down to 600 metres across the Western Fells at first.

Temperature: **Valleys:** 0 rising to 8 Celsius
At 800m: 0 rising to 3 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 metres, rising to 1000 metres by afternoon

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Ground Conditions Supplement
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